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Common Sense Talks Confiscation of Property By Prohibition

In addition to the annual payment of the sum of \$10,000 by Maysville to the Mason County Turnpike Fund, which is in effect a gratuity from Maysville, and which if not contributed by Maysville would have to be obtained from the property lying outside the city of Maysville. Let us see what is saved to the property owners in Mason county by reason of the revenues arising from the liquor business.

First of all about one-third of the revenue of the National Government, which runs into the hundreds of millions, is obtained from liquor and tobacco. The two industries which the prohibitionists are seeking to destroy.

If these industries are destroyed, this revenue must come from some other source. There can be no direct tax by the national Government, but this revenue must be obtained, and it means that this several hundred millions of revenue must be gotten from a tariff or stamp tax, and for the most part, doubtless, on the necessities of life, thereby adding materially to the already high cost of living. Do you desire this? If so, vote "Dry."

Again, the State of Kentucky derives about one fourth of its annual revenue from the liquor industry. If this is destroyed, then the State must procure practically all of its revenue from direct taxation. With the liquor industry destroyed, one-fourth of the State's revenue will be cut off. Since you are now paying only three-fourths of the State's revenue, with the other source of one-fourth destroyed, you will then be compelled to pay it all, or one-third more than you now pay. In other words if you now pay an annual property tax of \$30.00 you will then pay \$40.00 annually, or if you now pay \$300.00, you will

then pay \$400.00 annually, and this applies, not to someone in Mississippi, or Kansas, it applies to property owners in Mason county. If you are looking for a chance to increase your taxes one-third to one-half, then you should by all means vote "Dry."

Again, Maysville pays approximately 40 per cent of the present taxes of Mason county. As matters now stand she will pay 40 per cent, of the county's \$60,000.00 free turnpike bond issue, and this, although she has her own municipal government and her own streets, etc., to keep up. Should this turnpike item be contested and the city no longer pay this 25 per cent, levy, then taxes on Mason county property will be increased approximately 20 per cent. Good business men say with Maysville dry, there will be a cut of from 30 per cent, to 50 per cent, in the value of Maysville property. If this is so, then this will mean approximately another 20 per cent, in taxes on Mason county property.

With the liquor industry in the State destroyed you pay 33 per cent, more taxes, with Maysville dry you will pay 40 per cent, more county taxes where you now pay \$1.00 you will then pay \$1.73 in taxes. If this is a consummation devoutly to be wished, if you can not sleep nights from craving to pay more taxes, if you are on the verge of collapse from wanting to pay more taxes, for gracious sake, vote "Dry" and be relieved.

Has it ever occurred to you that with every wave of reform we have an increase in taxes and a decrease in morality and church attendance? This is almost axiomatic. Thirty years ago everybody went to church. Now 25 per cent, go to church in much reformed Prohibition States. In thirty years more with our present crop of periodical reformers, will anybody go to church? Will every soap box have its bewhiskered, vociferous reformer, and taxes be higher than rents? It looks so. (Adv) COMMON SENSE.

Some persons say that they hesitate to vote "Dry" on September 28, because to close up the saloons and wholesale houses would put some out of business and confiscate property. They propose to pay the liquor men for what they have invested.

What have liquor men ever done for the men they have put out of business?

They have permitted them to go to the Almshouse, jail or penitentiary and perhaps have subscribed to a fund to help their destitute families; but have they ever paid these men the just equivalent of what they lost over saloon bars?

When Prohibition puts a man out of business it leaves him in as good health, with as much earning capacity, as good character and reputation, as much self-respect and family harmony as he ever had. When liquor puts a man out of business, it leaves his brain, nerve, digestive system, liver, kidneys, heart and arteries broken down, his earning capacity, character, reputation, self-respect and family harmony gone. He is hopelessly down and out. When these liquor men reinstate these wrecks, restore the broken hearted wives and mothers, remove from from children the blight of a drunken father and distracted of a drunken father an distracted home, it will be time for them to ask the Government to pay them for the instrument with which they created the wreckage.

Do we pay the assassin for the dripping knife snatched from his bloody hand? Do we pay the saboteur for his dynamite and tools?

Not all the assassins and all the burglars from the beginning until now ever destroyed as many lives and as many precious values as the liquor traffic destroys in twenty-four hours. And the men engaged in the trade know it. They know that there is a potential murder, automobile wreck, quarrel, strife, contention, a broken-hearted woman, a blighted child in every barrel, keg, jug, bottle and drink that they sell.

They know it from observation in their own communities. They know it from reading the daily papers. This thing has not come upon them suddenly and unawares. For full forty-five years the question has been agitated right here in Mason county and the sentiment against the traffic has been growing all the time. They have had their attention called to the destructive nature of their business and they have been warned over and over again that the end of the reign of King Alcohol was rapidly coming. They have persisted in the business fully knowing the evil they did and the rising tide of protest of the people against it. Those who have cared for the wreckage they have made and borne, with their callousness, owe them nothing.

Argument From Slavery. Some say that the abolition of slavery without compensating the owner for his slaves was a wrong and the proposed abolition of the liquor traffic is a parallel case.

Until very recently I fully believed that the holders of slaves should have been compensated. But to my mind it is now perfectly clear that we were slave holders not slave owners; that in the sight of our common Creator no man however white his skin and high his character, ever owned another man however black his skin and savage his character. We went to the jungles of Africa and captured the negroes as we captured fur-bearing animals and brought them here in chains. We never had any more property right in them than the "white-slave" dealer has in the beautiful girl for whom he pays the trapper \$1,000 or \$2,500. No more has the liquor dealer in his death-dealing business.

Moreover every man in the business knows that he is in it on sufferance; that he has no inherent right to conduct such a business; that he does it under special license that must be renewed at stated intervals, subject always to variation or withdrawal as public opinion expressed through the agencies of Government may dictate.

The liquor dealer has known all ways that he took a risk when he went into the business. So much for his right to claim compensation when the people will no longer tolerate his business.

But what about those who have inherited the business? Very much of the warmest sympathy, just as one must feel for those who inherited slaves, or Confederate bonds or a line of stage-coaches after inter-urban cars came in or those who have inherited any other depreciated or valueless property of chest of burglar's tools. Personally, I have only the kindest feeling for those caught in this predicament and the fullest sympathy for the inconvenience to which they will be subjected. One can only hope that they will recognize the justice of the decree of the people and meet the situation with courage and resourcefulness.

Many lines of business are waiting for capital and business ability. Never in the history of the world was the production of food-stuffs so profitable. Any man with a truck patch, a dairy, a chicken farm, a pig-pen, not to speak of a canning factory or a farm can make a living. Let those who must change their business, produce something that people need, that will generate and conserve instead of destroying energy—Something that will bless and not curse mankind. It is a crime before high Heaven at this time when the world so needs corn, for food, to be converting it into whisky that only reduces the producing power of those who drink. Already a shortage of food, and then we destroy part of the present stock and at the same stroke the power of labor to produce more food.

Adjust to Simpler Living.

If during the transition period the style of living of the liquor dealer be less luxurious, they will doubtless even then live as well as many who have always contributed to the actual needs of the world. If they cannot live in two and three-story houses, many people live in cottages and flats. Many of their customers live in dens and hovels chiefly, some solely, for the reason that they have been their customers. If they cannot keep a number of servants, no more can many other worthy people. If they cannot ride in limousine and touring cars many people make out to use the street cars and the side-walks. If for a time they must travel and entertain less, they will have much very respectable company.

The good accomplished will be worth all it costs.

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